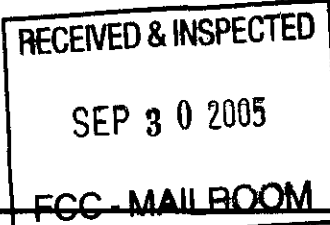


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September 28, 2005

Marlene H. Dortch
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 - 12th Street, SW, Room TW-A306
Washington, DC 20554

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RE: Section 254(e) certification
In the Matter of the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service
CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This letter serves as the Kansas Corporation Commission's (KCC) certification to the Federal Communications Commission that the carriers indicated on Attachment 1 to this letter are eligible telecommunications carriers that have certified to the KCC that they will use universal service support consistent with Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Please note that although Cass County Telephone Company (study area 420472) has filed its self-certification with the KCC that it will use universal service funds only for the purpose for which those funds are intended, the KCC does not, at this time, feel comfortable certifying the same to you. As you may be aware, Cass County is under investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Federal Communications Commission, and the Missouri Public Service Commission for among other things, alleged defrauding of the federal universal service support fund.

The KCC notes Cass County does not have a separate study area for its Kansas customers; those customers are served by central office switches located in Missouri. Your agency has indicated to the KCC that Cass County receives federal funds based on the certification by the Missouri Commission but that were the KCC not to certify Cass County, as it has done in the past, the KCC may lose the jurisdiction to direct how those funds are used for Cass County's jurisdictional customers.

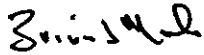
The KCC has determined that, at this time, it will explicitly deny certifying Cass Co. to the FCC and USAC. The KCC will also afford Cass County the opportunity to show the KCC that the KCC should certify Cass County to the FCC and USAC. If this should successfully occur, the KCC will seek a waiver from the FCC and USAC to late-file Cass County's certification.

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We note that Western Wireless has certified to the KCC that it uses its support for the designated services. However, a proceeding is pending at the KCC that could affect the amount of federal support received by Western Wireless. Subject to the outcome of the pending proceeding, the KCC certifies Western Wireless.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the KCC.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian J. Moline".

Brian J. Moline, Chair
Kansas Corporation Commission

BJM: crh

Attachment

Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas
Certification for the Use of Federal USF Support
ETC's in the State of Kansas
 Federal Universal Service Support ETC Certification

Company Name	Legal	Date Received	Comments
Blue Valley	Caplinger	08/26/05	
Bluestem	Caplinger	08/26/05	Part of Sunflower Study Area
Cass County	N/A	09/01/05	Not being certified
Columbus	Gleason	08/26/05	
Council Grove	Caplinger	08/26/05	
Craw-Kan	Caplinger	08/26/05	
Cunningham	Gleason	08/26/05	
Elkhart	Emler	08/25/05	
Golden Belt	Caplinger	08/26/05	
Gorham	Gleason	08/26/05	
H & B Communications	Gleason	08/26/05	
Haviland	Caplinger	08/26/05	
Home	Gleason	08/26/05	
JBN	Caplinger	08/26/05	
KanOkla	Caplinger	08/26/05	
LaHarpe	Gleason	08/26/05	
Madison	Caplinger	08/26/05	
MoKan Dial	Caplinger	08/26/05	
Moundridge	Gleason	08/26/05	
Mutual	Caplinger	08/26/05	
Peoples	Caplinger	08/25/05	
Pioneer	Caplinger	08/26/05	
Rainbow	Caplinger	08/26/05	
Rural	Caplinger	08/26/05	
S & A	Caplinger	08/26/05	
S & T	Caplinger	08/26/05	
South Central	Caplinger	08/26/05	
Southern KS	Caplinger	08/26/05	
Sunflower	Caplinger	08/26/05	Includes Bluestem
Totah	Gleason	08/26/05	
Tri-County	Caplinger	08/26/05	
Twin Valley	Gleason	08/26/05	
United Assn.	Caplinger	08/26/05	
United Telephone - Sprint Nextel	N/A	08/26/05	
Wamego	Gleason	08/26/05	
Wheat State	Caplinger	08/26/05	
Wilson	Gleason	08/26/05	
Zenda	Gleason	08/26/05	

CETCs

ALLTEL	N/A	08/26/05
ALLTEL for Western Wireless properties	N/A	08/26/05
EPIC Touch	N/A	09/01/05
H & B Cable Service	N/A	08/26/05
Nex Tech	N/A	08/26/05
RCC Minnesota	N/A	08/25/05
Sage	N/A	08/17/05
Sprint PCS	N/A	08/26/05